

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	§	Art Group: 2612
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Hall, David R., et al	§	Examiner: Yacob, Sissy
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Serial No.: 10/613,549	§	
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Filed: July 2, 2003	§	Docket No.: 66.0034
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For: Link Module for a Downhole Drilling	§	
Network	§	

January 16, 2007

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

This paper is timely submitted in response to the Patent and Trademark Office Action mailed September 18, 2006 for which the shortened – statutory period for response – *plus a one-month extension for time* - is set to expire on January 18, 2007. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: